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AN INSPIRED POET.

Harker-Scribbles the poet is certainly a genius.

Parker-His work doesn't seem to indicate it.

Barker-No, but the fact that he

KEEP WATER ON REGISTER

insult your face by putting buck- is a furnace always keep a vessel of wheat cakes into it. They head the water on the register and you will to use any ges to heating it.

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ion, her mouth-

Second Sweet Thing-Oh, I don't think he could possibly do that, dar-

AMERICAN IN LONDON.

one of the wealthy hostenses of Grosvenor street, will take the place of Mrs. Keppel, who was such a great favorite of King Edward. She If you live in a house where there is the widow of a California millionaire and one of her ball novelties was a huge watermelon which was colled into the middle of the room.

His Great Weight.

Nothing expresses better the importance of a person-in his own or in the world's eyes-than to state it physical world.

Oliver Wendell Holmes, it will be recalled, remarked that the axis of the earth sticks out in every man's back yard. A bonmot of not dissimilar kind is recorded of Washington Irving.

The conversation was turned on the pomposity of a certain American diplomatist.

"Ah, he is a great man," said a very great man-a man of great weight. When he goes to the west the east tips up!"

Not Afraid of a Ghost.

In a village in England a man went running into an ian at 9 First Sweet Thing-Oh, he's aw- o'clock at night and cried out that fully gone upon her, dear, I assure there was a ghost in his back yard you. He's been praising her beauty There were fourteen men in trto me for the last ten minutes, en- inn, and not one of them dared to larging upon her eyes, her complex- go home with the man and investigate. There was a person who dared, however, and that was the landlord's daughter, a girl of fourteen. Some of the men followed her at a distance, and she went into the yard and up to the ghost, flapping its arms about, and discovered a man's white shirt flapping on the Mrs. Miller Graham, who is now clothesline in a strong breeze. That's about the way all ghosts turn out .-- Exchange.

Mr. Meanly--It's something dreadful My wife is always asking me for mony. It's money, money, money, all the Mr. Japson-Why, whatever does she

by with all this money? Mr. Meanly-Eh? Oh, I don't know. I haven't given her any yet.

An Introduction. Harry was walking with another boy when he was joined by a friend is precisely the same as at one volt, in terms of his relations with the a year or so older and inclined to though the former is able to do a

manners. "Introduce me, Harry," the newcomer whispered pompously.

Harry twisted, reddened and at

"No," the other boy answered dening still more and jerking one tricity of the physical and the other thumb over his shoulder toward the about that of the engineer; hence



Baked Shad. Clean a shad and stuff with mashed potatoes to which is added a teaspoon of finely minced parsley. Lay the fish on a baking dish on several slices of salt pork. Bake and baste often with the fat from the pork.

Why It is Difficult For the Layman to Understand What It Is.

ELECTRICITY.

"What is electricity?" is a favorite query with people who desire to "get a rise" out of a scientific man. And when he fails to answer it in the same simple fashion that he might treat the question "What is a biscuit?" the questioner cries out: "Aha! You profess to know all about electricity. Why, you can't even tell what it is!"

Now, to "tell what a thing is"that is, to define it-is to state its relations with something more familiar. The particular familiar thing that the questioner is thinking of in this case is ordinary matter. Heat has been explained to him as a Bration of material particles. In hi, he has been told, is a wave motion in the ether, and he understands the other to be a kind of matter or a substance resem-

bling matter in some particulars. It is not to be denied that no such simple general relationship can be stated between electricity and matter. But, this being so, it would be just as correct to say that we do not know what matter is as that we do not know what electricity is. As a matter of fact, we do not know what matter is, and the latest plausible theory of it builds it up on an electric basis, so that on this theory the idea of electricity is more fundamental than that of matter. Unfortunately our senses have been evolved by contact with matter and are trained to detect only matter. Electricity they know only secondarily, through its action upon matter—the light or heat that it causes matter to give out, the attraction that it causes certain substances to exert, and so on. To the man in the street, therefore, matter is familiar, and he demands a statement of the latter in terms of the former, illogical though this may be. After the scientist has stated all this the reply comes back, "Yes, I understand all that, and it is most clear, I am sure, but tell me, then, what is electricity anyway?"

Another source of confusion to the lay mind is that scientific men do not always use the word "electricity" to mean the same thing. The engineer often employs it to express the thing that the theoretical electrician calls "electric ener-

To find the energy of electricity -that is, its ability to do workthe electrician multiplies the quantity of electricity by the potential or tension under which it exists. But to the engineer this product itself measures the thing that he calls "electricity."

The work that a pound of water may do by falling a foot is one foot pound. The water is the same after falling as before, though its energy is less. So to the electrician a quantity of electricity at 100 wolts hundred times as much work.

This difference in meaning causes thousands of disputes among students. "Electricity is a form of last turned to his companion with, energy," says one, "just like light "Jim, have you ever seen Gilbert or heat." "Oh, no!" is the reply. "It is not energy at all, though it may possess or convey energy." One "Well," Harry blurted out, red- disputant is talking about the elec-Irving, "and in his own estimation newcomer, "that's him!"-Lippin their dispute is merely a matter of definition, though they do not know it. What wonder that some people Fre still content to regard the whole subject as a civilized Mumbo Jam-



The Social Reformer-Is your mother at home, little girl? The Little Girl-N-o-ow. Muvver

ne ter fight annuver lidy,-Talley